



Ranger Programs		Daily Map Talks at Visitor Center 9:50am, 11:50am, 2:50pm
Friday, June 08		
Description	Location	
Jr. Ranger Wildlife Olympics drop-in program 10:30 am 1½ hrs	How high can you jump? How fast can you run? How far can you smell? Compare your abilities to those of animal champions in our very own Olympic Games. Stay as long as your schedule allows.	
Climb! 11 am 20 min	Ever wonder what it's like to be clinging to the canyon wall? Join Ranger Mackette to learn about Black Canyon climbing!	
Jr. Ranger Adventures CSI - Campground 1:30 pm 1½ hours	Discover the basics of Leave No Trace Camping through a hands-on "crime scene" investigation. Stay as long as your schedule allows.	
The Impenetrable Black 2 pm 20 minutes	Come hear the story of two explorers' wild and successful journey through the previously inaccessible Black Canyon. Go back in time on a river expedition with Ranger Jamie.	
Saturday, June 09		
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Tunnel Through Time 10 am 1-1½ hours	Life in the Uncompahgre Valley was forever changed by the construction of the Gunnison Tunnel in the 1900s. Follow in the footsteps of those who built the tunnel on a historic walk of East Portal. Distance 1/2 mile.	
Lessons, Livelihood, and Living Free 11 am 20 min	Join Ranger Melissa as she steps off the rim and into the deep culture of the UTE Indian people. Their ways are fascinating, their lessons abundant, and perseverance heroic.	
Rush of Exploration 2 pm 20 minutes	Ranger Eric is not all wet as he shares the challenges met by early river explorers. Experience the splash of excitement by river runners now and then.	
Starry Starry Night 9:00 pm 1 hour	How many stars can you see from your house? Join Ranger Tom to learn more about the starry night and see why Van Gogh said, "I often think that the night is more alive and more richly colored than the day."	
Sunday, June 10		
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Tunnel Through Time 10 am 1-1½ hours	Life in the Uncompahgre Valley was forever changed by the construction of the Gunnison Tunnel in the 1900s. Follow in the footsteps of those who built the tunnel on a historic walk of East Portal. Distance 1/2 mile.	
Jr. Ranger Geology Hike Deep, Steep, and Narrow 10:30 AM 1½ hours	Discover the steepest cliffs and oldest rocks in Colorado on this 1.5 mile round-trip hike for families. Moderately strenuous. Wear sturdy shoes and bring water.	
Wildflower Walk 1 pm 1 hour	Join Park Volunteer Joan Schmidt on a ramble along a trail to experience and explore the colors of summer. Distance one mile.	
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Feast or Famine 7:30 pm 1 hour	Will you find food tonight or be someone else's dinner? Examine the predators and prey of Black Canyon with Ranger Mary Jane.	

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Jr. Ranger Wildlife Detective drop-in program 1:30 pm 1 ½ hours	Learn to read the signs that animals leave behind through tracks, scat, bones, and pelts. Stay as long as your schedule allows.	South Rim Visitor Center, back porch
Climb! 2 pm 20 minutes	Ever wonder what it's like to be clinging to the canyon wall? Join Ranger Mackette to learn about Black Canyon climbing!	Chasm View Overlook
Tuesday, June 12		
	Description	Location
Secrets of Survival 10 am 2 hours	How does life thrive in this rugged, high desert? Uncover secrets of the Pinyon-Juniper forest as you walk with a ranger along Warner Trail. Distance: 1.5 miles.	High Point Parking Lot
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Chasm View Ranger Talk 2 pm 20 minutes	Join Ranger Aimee to explore more of Black Canyon, from plants and animals to geology.	Chasm View Overlook
Astronomy Through Your Own Eyes 9 pm 1 hour	The heavens are filled with spectacular sights you can see using nothing more than your own two eyes. Join Ranger Zach for a tour of the summer skies and learn why our night sky is being eroded away faster than Black Canyon itself.	Campground Amphitheater
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Chasm View Ranger Talk 11 am 20 minutes	Join Ranger Aimee to explore more of Black Canyon, from plants and animals to geology.	Chasm View Overlook
CLIMB! 2 pm 20 minutes	Ever wonder what it's like to be clinging to the canyon wall? Join Ranger Mackette to learn about Black Canyon climbing!	Chasm View Overlook
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Tunnel Through Time 10 am 1-1½ hrs	Life in the Uncompahgre Valley was forever changed by the construction of the Gunnison Tunnel in the 1900s. Follow in the footsteps of those who built the tunnel on a historic walk of East Portal. Distance 1/2 mile.	East Portal Ranger Station
Jr. Ranger Wildlife Olympics drop-in program 10:30 am 1½ hrs	How high can you jump? How fast can you run? How far can you smell? Compare your abilities to those of animal champions in our very own Olympic Games. Stay as long or as short as your schedule allows.	High Point Parking Lot
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